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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS: 45-49 125

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-44 (canceled).

- 45. (New) An <u>antigen</u> comprising a peptide present in the ENV protein of MvP-5180/91, wherein the peptide is from 10 amino acids in length to 33 amino acids in length and comprises an amino acid sequence encoded by <u>SEQ ID NO:35</u>, and wherein the antigen binds to an antibody that can bind to HIV-O.
- 46. (New) The <u>antigen</u> of claim 45, wherein the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:35 is alanine-alanine-glycine-serine-threonine-methionine.
- 47. (New) An antigen comprising a peptide present in the ENV protein of MvP5180/91, wherein the peptide is from 15 amino acids in length to 33 amino acids in
  length and comprises an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:35, and wherein
  the antigen binds to an antibody that can bind to HIV-O.
- 49. (New) The antigen of claim 47, wherein the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:35 is alanine-alanine-glycine-serine-threonine-methionine.
  - 50. (New) A test kit for detecting antibodies that can bind to HIV-O comprising:
    - (a) the antigen of claim 45 and
    - (b) ancillary reagents suitable for use in detecting the presence of antibodies to the antigen in a biological sample.

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- 51. (New) The test kit of claim 50, wherein the test is an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).
  - 52. (New) A test kit for detecting antibodies that can bind to HIV-O comprising:
    - (a) the antigen of claim 47 and
    - (b) ancillary reagents suitable for use in detecting the presence of antibodies to the antigen in a biological sample.
- 53. (New) The test kit of claim 52, wherein the test is an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA).